



Fairmount Park Task Force Meeting
MINUTES
Thursday, April 11, 2013, 7:00 p.m.
Norview Community Center

The following people were present:

Councilwoman Williams	Stanley Stein	Tameeka Williams
Tamara Muhammad	Darlene Green	Derwin Gardner
Pamela Marino	Curtis Wilson, Jr.	Samuel Hardy
Sharon Turner	Leslie Vaughn	Nicole Weisstanner
Yvette Brown	Magalene McKelvey	Gordy Hellenbrand
Bryan Zenarolla	Victoria Jessie	Neal George
Officer Paschal	Taylor Gould	Jim Herbst

The meeting was chaired by Stanley Stein who welcomed everyone.

1. Police Report

The Red Sector will be conducting sweeps in targeted areas in the next few weeks. Bike patrols have begun. Police patrols have switched to twelve hour shifts that makes more officers available. Officer Paschal announced he would be retiring May 1. The group thanked Officer Paschal for his service.

2. Neighborhood Quality

Sharon Turner, Neighborhood Services Manager, announced that the City has implemented a speedier Tall Weeds and Grass Abatement Program. Property owners in violation will only receive one notice per growing season (March 1-October 31). Any additional violations will only be posted with no notice. The Owner has until the date of expiration (seven days on the first notice) to comply. After that the procedure depends on whether the Owner or the City abated the grass. If the Owner does the abatement he or she will get a notice again the next time the grass is too tall. If the City abated the grass, the property will be posted with a two day abatement date and then referred for abatement if the property is not in compliance within a two day period. The administrative fee has also been raised. She further announced a new inspector, Deborah Harris, will take over one quarter of Fairmount Park.

The 3100 block of Vimy Ridge Avenue was pointed out as a nuisance area. Neighborhood residents and the civic league have contacted several City agencies. Stanley updated residents on the status. After following due process, the City Attorney's

Office has instructed inspectors to proceed to court summons for those in violation rather than just Notices of Violation.

3. Tinee Giant Improvements

Bryan Zenarolla presented designs for improvements to his Tinee Giant store in Fairmount Park. The improvements will cost around \$85,000 and will include extensive landscaping, a rear parapet wall, and aesthetic features such as fake windows. He will be applying for a Commercial Aesthetic Façade Grant through the City worth \$25,000. His next project will be the One Stop store on Tidewater Drive that he also owns.

Mr. Zenarolla and the civic league request replacement or removal of a leaning utility pole in front of the Tinee Giant. The City has already contacted Dominion Power. Residents and Mr. Zenarolla further reported that HRT moving the bus stop has reduced loitering in front of the store. Residents discussed relocating garbage cans after the improvements are made.

4. Lafayette Boulevard Update

Victoria Jessie, a representative from Public Works, communicated that a contract for designing the streetscape improvements has been prepared. The design will be for curb and gutters, sidewalks, verges, a tree lined median and a gateway sign from Lyons Avenue to Lens Avenue. Mr. Stein indicated this is the implementation of the 2008 Plan and will draw from the \$1 million in the FY2013 Fairmount Park Neighborhood Plan budget. Victoria offered to return at a future date when designs are complete.

5. Community Update

Taylor Gould gave the community update.

- The wetlands site opened at the corner of Somme Avenue and Pope Avenue.
- The Youth Civic League is preparing to submit an application for a City grant to start a community garden on Lens Avenue.
- The civic league will participate in the Great American Clean Up on April 27 with a neighborhood clean up, electronics recycling, and a pizza party celebration.
- Forty-five Navy volunteers will clean wetlands on April 22.
- Chief Goldsmith will be attending their civic league meeting this month.

6. Announcements

- CPAAN – On March 27th, the Law Enforcement Exploration Class graduated at the Vocational School.
- CR Services – has made significant improvements to the old Bank of America Building and will be doing future work.
- Adult Education Fair – Councilwoman Williams announced that she is sponsoring an Adult Education Fair at Scope on June 22 from 9:00 a.m. to noon.



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New Hope Christian Community Center
3241 Brest Avenue
Norfolk, VA, 23509

Department Reports

1. Police Report – Officer Paschal

Year to Date Crime Report – 2012 vs. 2013 (Planning District 51)
(as of April 1, 2013)

- A. Violent crimes are down from 8 to 6 (-25%).
- B. Property crimes are down from 79 to 52 (-34%).

Crime Report – March 1-31 2012 vs. 2013 (Planning District 51)
(as of April 1, 2013)

- A. Violent crimes are the same: 2 to 2 (0%).
- B. Property crimes are down from 24 to 15 (-38%).

2. Neighborhood Quality Report – Sharon Turner

Planning District 51

Active Cases: April 1, 2013

Summary of Violations

Board Up Program	2
Code Enforcement Case	103
Code Enforcement Placard	23
Derelict Structure	2
Grass Abatement Program	4
Inoperable Vehicle	7
Trash and Debris	11
Tall Weeds/Grass	8
Gas Red Tag	11

Total: 171

3. NRHA

- 3133 Lens Avenue has been acquired and will be demolished.

(Utilities Report continued on back.)

4. Utilities Report – (as of February 2013)

(see “Construction Projects” in the left column of www.norfolk.gov/utilities for more information)

Fairmount Park Phase 10, Water & Sanitary Sewer Replacement

Project Scope: Evaluation, design and construction of water and sanitary sewer systems.

Project Budget: \$3,000,000

Project Status

Planning: 100% complete

Design: 100% complete

Construction: 55% complete

Project Schedule

Design: 100% Complete summer 2012

Construction: Began spring 2012

Estimated Completion: winter 2013/2014



Fairmount Park Phase 11, Water & Sanitary Sewer Replacement

Project Scope: Evaluation, design and construction of water and sanitary sewer systems.

Project Budget: \$3,645,661

Project Status

Planning: 100% complete

Design: 100% complete

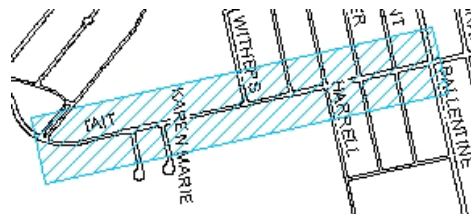
Construction: 0% complete

Project Schedule

Design: 100% Complete summer 2012

Construction: Begin spring 2013

Estimated Completion: winter 2014/2015



Fairmount Park Phase 12, Water & Sanitary Sewer Replacement

Project Scope: Evaluation, design and construction of water and sanitary sewer systems.

Project Budget: \$3,000,000

Project Status

Planning: 100% complete

Design: 0% complete

Construction: 0% complete

Project Schedule

Design Completion: summer 2013

Construction: TBD

Estimated Completion: TBD

